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C O N F I D E N T I A L PORT LOUIS 0375

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR OAU MP CG FR AO
SUBJECT: FRENCH MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO ZAIRE; RAMGOOLAM-NETO
EXCHANGE ABOUT ZAIRE SITUATION

REF: PORT LOUIS 295 (NOTAL)

1. FRENCH AMBASSADOR MERLLIE TOLD ME APRIL 12 THAT EARLIER THAT DAY HE HAD CARRIED OUT INSTRUCTIONS TO BRIEF PRIME MINISTER RAMGOOLAM ON RATIONALE FOR FRENCH ASSISTANCE TO ZAIRE. MERLLIE SAID RAMGOOLAM WAS "UNDERSTANDING AND SYMPATHETIC." BRIEFING TOOK PLACE JUST PRIOR TO RAM'S DEPARTURE ON TEN DAY TRIP TO PARIS, BRUSSELS AND DAKAR.
2. RAM TOLD MERLLIE HE HAD ANSWERED NETO'S MESSAGE PROTESTING HIS MARCH 25 MESSAGE TO MOBUTU WHICH CONDEMNED
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-- IN NAME OAU AS WELL AS MAURITIAN GOVERNMENT -- THE "AGGRESSION," "INVASION," AND "VIOLATION OF THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF ZAIRE" (REFTEL). IN HIS MESSAGE NETO DESCRIBED RAM'S EFFORT AS "STRANGE AND UNTIMELY" AND PROTESTED THAT IT DID NOT REPRESENT THE POSITION OF THE MEMBER COUNTRIES OF THE OAU. NETO SAID IT CONSTITUTED "IMPROPER INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS" OF ANGOLA AND A "FLAGRANT VIOLATION"

OF THE OAU CHARTER.

3. TODAY BEING A LOCAL HOLIDAY, TEXT OF RAM'S MESSAGE TO
NETO IS NOT LIKELY TO BE AVAILABLE UNLESS IT HAS ALREADY
BEEN PICKED UP BY WIRE SERVICES.
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